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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I live in Oakland, California. The area is booming with tech, yet the options for internet have been woefully inadequate. When looking for ISPs a few years ago, I choose Sonic.net, because they offered higher quality service(no data limits, no throttling, web hosting, and a land line for free, among others) at a much better price than AT&T or Comcast. The competition provided by smaller services has caused the big players(AT&T, Comcast, etc) to lower their prices. Deregulating the industry and allowing AT&T to hike fees for access to the copper portion connection would allow them to price their competitors out, and end up raising rates for everyone. I value the service I have received from Sonic.net, and am glad they have offered me an incredibly higher valued service at an amazing price. Please don't put the small competitors out of business.

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